Maryland I	nventory of Histor	ric Properties 1	Form Survey	No. B-4874
1. Name				
Historic and / common	514 - 522 South Rose Street			
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2. Location				
street & number	514 – 522 South Rose Street			
city, town	Baltimore			
state & zip code	Maryland 21231	county		
3. Classifica Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
district	_ public	X occupied	agriculture	— museum
X building(s) structure	X private both	unoccupied work in progress	commercial educational	park X private residence
site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	entertainment	religious
object	in process	X yes: restricted	government	scientific
550 VSV	being considered	yes: unrestricted	industrial	transportation
	not applicable	no	military	other:
4. Owner of	Property			
name				
street & number		telephone		none
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6. Represen	tation in Existing	Historical Surv	veys	
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7. Description

Condition		Check One	Check One
excellent _x good fair	deteriorated ruins unexposed	unaltered X altered	X original sitemoved: date of move:

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This row of five two-story, two-bay wide houses late Italianate-style brick houses with shed roofs and wooden scroll-sawn bracketed cornices were built in the early 1890s by the builder of the similar row across the street at 513-535 S. Rose St. Only one of the houses retains its original brick facade, which was always painted; the rest have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 12' wide and occupy lots 60' deep. Each house is three small rooms deep and there is no backbuilding. The houses are constructed in common bond and were originally painted. Each house has a single hooded chimney located at the rear corner of the house. The shed roofs are capped by a wooden cornice consisting of a crown molding decorated with grooves, supported by three long scroll-sawn brackets that connect to a lower molding strip, and end with a distinct trefoil pattern. The frieze panel, which also serves as ventilation for the attic, is decorated with a row of butterfly-like shapes, created with a jig saw.

The tall, narrow window and door openings have Queen-Anne style decorative, segmentally arched brick lintels, composed of a double row of headers with the lower row having alternately recessed headers, and scroll-sawn tympanums (most of which have been replaced). The sills are brick. All of the openings are filled with 1/1 replacement sash and two of the first floor windows have been replaced by the fashionable, wider, plate-glass window with stained glass transom of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The single-light doorway transom has in some cases been filled with stained glass. The houses sit on medium-high basements, lit by a double-or single-light sash. Each house is reached by four brick or concrete steps.

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#### 8. Significance

Period	Area of significance	check one & justify		
prehistoric 1400-1499 1500-1599 1600-1699 1700-1799 X 1800-1899 1900	archeology-prehistoric archeology-historic agriculture X architecture art commerce communications	X community planning conservation economics education engineering exploration industry invention	landscape architecturelawliteraturemilitarymusicphilosophypolitics/government	religion science sculpture X social/ humanitarian theatre transportation other: specify
Specific dates	с. 1890		Builder/Architect	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This group of late-Italianate-style houses is significant in that it represents the level of architectural stylishness achieved by many builders of small street houses in the late nineteenth century. In addition to the elaborately detailed scroll-sawn bracketed cornice, the houses also have Queen Annestyle influenced door and window lintels to add a modern fashionable touch to the house.

The houses were built according to a pattern that was quite common to the city's working class neighborhoods of the period 1870 to 1910. Recognizing that workers held different levels of jobs (and pay), builders created a hierarchy of house sizes (and prices) in the new neighborhoods going up to serve the expanding factory districts ringing the harbor and northeast of the central city. Builders acquired anywhere from an eighth to a half of a city block and built 14' to 15'-wide two-story houses on the main streets, and smaller, 11' to 13'-wide two-story houses on the narrower streets bisecting the blocks. Typically, in this period, main street houses might sell for \$1,200 to \$1,500; small street houses for \$700 - \$900.

The land originally on which these houses are built belonged to the Patterson family as part of their 18<sup>th</sup> century estate, which also included the land given by the family to the city for Patterson Park. In the 1870s and 1880s the Patterson heirs began developing this block by leasing parcels to various builders who constructed modestly-scaled and priced housing for the mainly German immigrant families who were settling near the port-related fledgling industries of Canton. Most of the houses sold to mainly German-American semi-skilled tradesmen and laborers employed in nearby factories, who received mortgages from a variety of local building and loans, many of them sponsored by the German community.

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## 9. Major Bibliographic References

Mary Ellen Hayward and Charles Belfoure, *The Baltimore Rowhouse* (New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 1999)

### 10. Geographic Data

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Quadrangle name

Verbal boundary description and justification

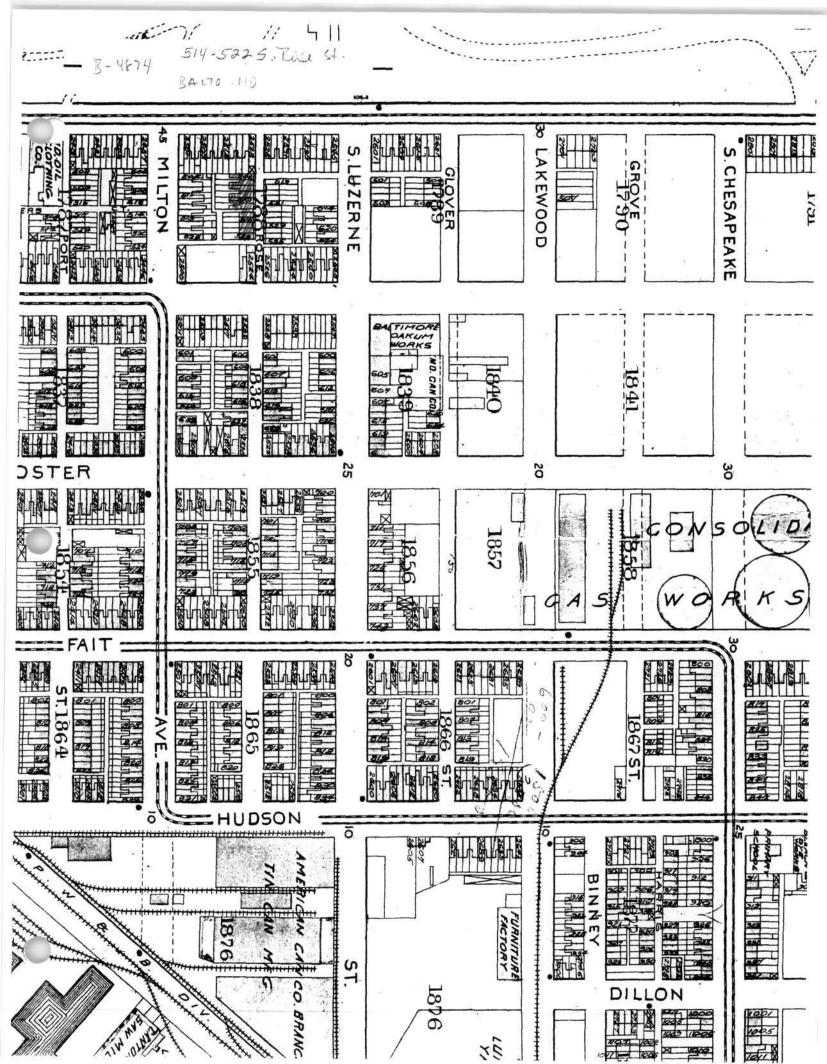
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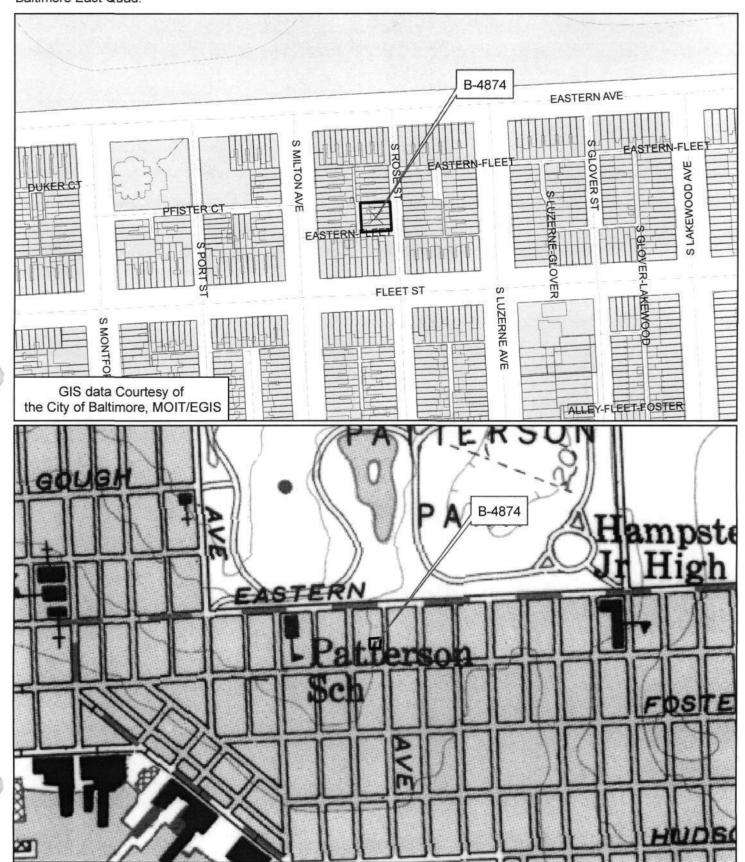
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